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## NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated March 1, 2006 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 17-25, 29, and 31-33 of the above-identified application.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

- 1. An extension of time for responding to the final rejection for two months is submitted herewith.
- 2. A response to the final rejection is filed herewith.
- 3. A fee in the amount of \$250.00 (small entity) was previously paid on February 11, 2005. Therefore, no additional fee is believed to be due at this time.
- 4. Please charge any required fees to Winston & Strawn LLP Deposit Account No. 50-1814. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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